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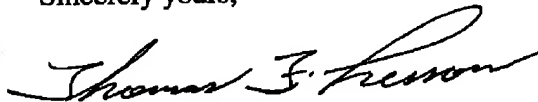
Dear Mr. Nakamura:

Thank you for your facsimile letter dated July 25, 2005.

Enclosed is a copy of the Amendment we today filed in response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2005 in the above-referenced matter.

We will keep you fully informed of all further developments in this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas F. Presson
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 Examiner : Jason P. Salce
 Art Unit : 2611

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

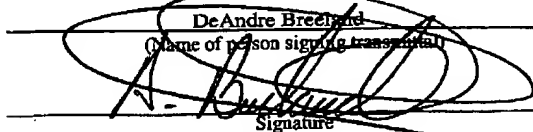
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Total claims	25	Minus	** =28	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	17	Minus	*** =17	* 0 x	\$200(100)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

- * If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.
 ** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
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- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the _____ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a _____ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims _____ petition for extension of time.
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- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

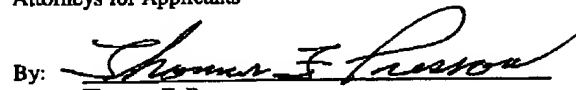
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated April 25, 2005, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on July 25, 2005, please amend the above-captioned application as follows.